staying with her aunt, her mother's sister, since May, when she was "obliged" to join her "owing to business arrangements." She has also been ill, though she reassures the doctor that she is regaining health.

She is concerned that a sister in Toronto has "expressed a wish" to look after Arthur, without being able to do so. She cannot herself, thanks to that "arrangement" with her aunt, which requires her to be there, in Johnsonville, repaying a loan for "expenses attending housekeeping" that she obtained when she lived in Toronto.

Finally, after these explanations, she asks Daniel Clark to "ease [her] anxiety" by letting her "know," when he is "at leisure." She explains that she has not been able to get any "satisfaction" from letters which she appears to have sent Arthur, and apologizes for "imposing on your valuable time." Ironically, given his earlier preoccupation, Arthur is still not getting his mail.

Daniel Clark writes in broad pencil below Mrs. McDonough's signature that "Arthur Casper is very much as usual." He reports that the sister in Toronto "comes up almost every week" and attends to Arthur's clothing. He adds that "she seems to be his best friend, if persistent attention counts for any thing."

A letter dated October 26, 1900, is addressed to Mrs. McDonough, now at 18 Grange Avenue, in Toronto. Clark informs her that her brother is "not so well as he has been, in fact ... sinking." A note dated December 13, 1900, and signed "Daniel Clark," records Arthur's death on that day, from "phthisis."

In a final letter to Daniel Clark, Mrs. McDonough expresses her regret at not having been with Arthur "at the last," although she supposes she "could not have done any good." Through one McGuire, Clark had asked Mrs. McDonough's permission to do a post mortem. She grants it, because Clark has been "so kind" to Arthur and his family. She only wishes to know when, so that she can arrange through the undertaker, Mr. Willard, for a private funeral.

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